

WHEREAS, Bill and Ava Pearl Blair began the celebration of life together as husband and wife in Nineteen Bundred and Thirty-Seven; and,

WHEREAS, Their marriage has spanned half a century of service and devotion to their family, friends and neighbors; and,

WHEREAS, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Bill and Ava Pearl Blair have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

WHEREAS, On May 23 in Mitchell there was an occasion of great joy and celebration as friends and loved ones gathered to honor Bill and Ava Pearl; and,

WHEREAS, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognize and commemorate the memorable milestones in the lives of the State's outstanding citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do herely proclaim June 20, 1987, as

BILLE AND AVA PEARL BLAIR DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Bundred and Righty-Seven

GEORGE S. WICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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